

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 NEW DE 01664 031510Z

46

ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 DHA-02 ORM-02 AID-05 OMB-01 IO-11

NEAE-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-02 INR-07 L-03

NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 /078 W

----- 027691

P 031245Z FEB 76

FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3781

C O N F I D E N T I A L NEW DELHI 1664

FOLNG NEW DELHI INFO BOMBAY CALCUTTA AND COLOMBO FM MADRAS
DTD 03 FEB.

QUOTE: MADRAS 0200

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, IN

SUBJECT: SITUATION IN TAMIL NADU

1. ALL FORMER DMK MINISTERS, LED BY FORMER CHIEF MINISTER
KARUNANIDHI, VISITED THE ANNA SAMADHI (ANNODORAI'S GRAVE) ON
THE MARINA EARLY THIS MORNING AND LAID WREATHS. EIGHT OF THEM,
INCLUDING KARUNANIDHI, ARRIVED AT THE SAME TIME IN SEPARATE
CARS AND JOINED FORCES AT THE SAMADHI ENTRANCE. TWO FORMER
MINISTERS ARRIVED A LITTLE
LATER AND FOUR OTHERS HAD COME
EARLIER. THERE WERE ELABORATE POLICE PRECAUTIONS IN THE VICINITY,
INCLUDING MOUNTED POLICE. THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE COMING TO PAY
HOMAGE TO ANNADORAI WAS THIN IN THE EARLY HOURS, BUT STARTED
PICKING UP AFTER 8 A.M., BUT SO FAR SEEMS MUCH SPARSER THAN IN
PREVIOUS YEARS. MOST VISITORS APPEARED TO BE LOWER RANKING
PARTY WORKERS AND ORDINARY DMK SYMPATHIZERS. ADMK LEADERS,
INCLUDING M.G. RAMACHANDRAN, FULDD NZ BDSLZKD#THE ANNA SAMADHI
BY THE END OF THE MORNING.

2. ARRESTS ARE CONTINUING THROUGHOUT THE STATE. OUR DMK SOURCES
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NEW DE 01664 031510Z

TELL US THIS MORNING THE TOTAL IS BETWEEN 4000 ; ND 4000, BUT

WE HAVE JUST BEEN TOLD BY A RELIABLE POLICE SOURCE THAT THE NUMBER ARRESTED NOW EXCEEDS 6,000. ACCORDING TO THIS SOURCE, POLITICAL LEADERS ARRESTED UNDER MISA AS OF LATE THIS MORNING TOTAL 287, MADE UP OF 170 DMK, 107 DK, AND 10 CPM. HE BROKE DOWN THE TOTAL ARRESTS AS FOLLOWS: DMK 3880; DK 2100; CPM 48, AND CONGRESS (O) 3. THESE FIGURES CLEARLY INCLUDE MANY OF WHAT ARE USUALLY CALLED "ANTISOCIAL ELEMENTS."

3. OUR POLICE SOURCES ALSO TELL US THAT S. KANDAPPAN, MLA CHAIRMAN OF THE TAMIL NADK WATER AND DRAINAGE BOARD WAS ARRESTED AS HE CAME AWAY FROM THE ANNA SAMADHI THIS MORNING, AND THAT RAMA ARANGANNAL, MLA AND CHAIRMAN OF THE SLUM CLEARANCE BOARD, AND S.S. MARISAMY, MP, DMK LEADER IN THE RAJYA SABHA, HAVE ALSO BEEN ARRESTED THIS MORNING. WE HAVE HAD SEVERAL REPORTS THAT MURASOLI MARAN, MP, WAS ALSO SCHEDULED TO BE ARRESTED THIS MORNING, BUT WE HAVE NO POLICE CONFIRMATION OF IT AS OF NOW.
EAVES UNQUOTE
SAXBE

NOTE BY OC/T: #AS RECEIVED

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PROVINCE, ARRESTS, POLITICAL LEADERS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 03 FEB 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: GolinoFR
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976NEWDE01664
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760040-0782
From: NEW DELHI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760288/aaaaczcx.tel
Line Count: 81
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: GolinoFR
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 18 JUN 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <18 JUN 2004 by izenbei0>; APPROVED <21 JUN 2004 by GolinoFR>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: SITUATION IN TAMIL NADU
TAGS: PINT, IN
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006